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SUBJECT: FY 77 IV PROGRAM: REGIONALLY FUNDED GROUP SEMINAR ON
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1. EMBASSY NOMINATES PEDRO GIL ITURBIDES, DIRECTOR, DOMREP NATIONAL LIBRARY, FOR 21-DAY REGIONALLY FUNDED IV GRANT TO PARTICIPATE IN UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND GROUP SEMINAR ON INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND SERVICES. GIL, DURING TWO-YEAR TENURE AS NATIONAL LIBRARY DIRECTOR HAS CONVERTED LIBRARY INTO WELL ORGANIZED, WIDELY USED CENTER OF INTELLECTUAL, CULTURAL ACTIVITIES. ALTHOUGH NOT PROFESSIONAL LIBRARIAN (HE IS JOURNALIST AND POLITICIAN) GIL READS EXTENSIVELY IN FIELD, IS INTERESTED ADVANCING LEVEL OF LIBRARIES AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY IN DOMREP. HIS POSITION AND EXCELLENT CONTACTS WITH GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND PROFESSIONAL LIBRARIANS MAKE HIM LOGICAL DOMPREP CANDIDATE. IS CONSCIENTIOUS HARD-WORKING ACTIVIST AND POST BELIEVES HE WOULD UTILIZE SMINAR INFORMATION.

2. BORN DECEMBER 15, 1942 IN LA ROMANA, DR. DOMINICAN CITIZEN, MARRIED, THREE CHILDREN. ADDRESS: CALLE PRIMERA NO. 8, SANTO DOMINGO. LAW STUDIES, AUTONOMOUS UNIVERSITY OF SANTO DOMINGO; 1975, LICENTIATE, EDUCATION AND RELIGIOUS SCIENCE, PONTIFICAL SEMINARY SANTO TOMAS DE AQUINO; 1963, TECHNICIAN IN PROPAGANDA, INSTITUTE OF DEMOCRATIC-CHRISTIAN FORMATION, VENEZUELA. SINCE 1974, DIRECTOR, NATIONAL LIBRARY. SINCE 1964,. DIRECTOR, CENTER FOR INFORMATION, STUDIES AND DOCUMENTATION. 1969-71, DIRECTOR HIJB RADIO STATION; 1973-74, DIRECTOR RADIO UNIVERSAL. FOREIGN TRAVEL: VARIOUS TRIPS TO
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3. GIL YOUNG JOURNALIST IV GRANTEE FY 67. POST JUSTIFIES SECOND GRANT 9 YEARS LATER ON BASIS CANDIDATE'S LEADERSHIP POSITION IN NEW FIELD AND BELIEF THAT HE IS INDIVIDUAL IN DOMREP MOST APT TO PROFIT FROM SEMINAR.

4. IN ADDITION SEMINAR PROGRAM GIL INTERESTED USING FREE TIME TO VISIT PUBLIC LIBRARIES, MUSEUMS AND ART CENTERS. DUE CANDIDATE'S MEDIA BACKGROUND, POST BELIEVES VISIT TO LIBRARY USING COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA IN PROMOTIONAL, CULTURAL PROGRAMS WOULD BE PARTICULARLY RELEVANT.

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